

WITH THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE JOINT HONORARY SECRETARY,
IMPERIAL INDIAN RELIEF FUND.

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The total sum received by way of subscriptions to the Central Imperial Indian Relief Fund from the date of its inception up to the 31st December 1917, was Rs. 1,38,02,000. The interest upon the sums placed at fixed deposit amounted to about Rs. 8,17,000, bringing the total income of the Central Fund up to Rs. 1,46,19,000. The expenditure up to the same date amounted to Rs. 76,81,000; the principal items being—

	Rs.
Sums placed at the disposal of Divisional and Brigade Area Committees for the relief of distress among the families of soldiers at the front and for the payment of donations to men who have been permanently disabled and to the heirs of deceased soldiers and followers.	55,92,000*
Grants-in-aid to the Soldiers and Sailors Families Association	3,50,000
Extra medical comforts for the sick and wounded	3,74,000
Donations to the Officers' Families Fund in England	2,98,000
Donation to the Indian Soldiers' Fund	1,00,000
Donations to the Indian Comforts for Troops Fund	3,34,000
Donations to the St. John Ambulance Association	54,000
Compensation paid to officers and crews of vessels sunk by the enemy.	89,000
Assistance to convalescent officers	4,58,000
Donation to the Queen Mary's Technical School for disabled Indian Soldiers, Bombay	20,000

*Of this amount about Rs. 2½ lakhs have been expended on the grant of relief to men returned from the front proceeding on sick leave to their homes. This concession has since been withdrawn.

The balance in hand of the Central Fund on the 31st December 1917, was Rs. 69,38,000.

2. During December 1917, the subscriptions received by the Central Fund amounted to Rs. 39,980, while the disbursements during the same period amounted to Rs. 72,010. In addition, His Majesty's Government have been pleased to allot to the Imperial Indian Relief Fund one half, (about Rs. 15 lakhs) of the sum placed at their disposal by the people of the Province of Burma for purposes connected with the war, other than those having for their object the taking of life. The amount will be credited to the Central Fund.

DELHI:

The 24th January 1918.

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By Order,

C. S. BALASUNDARAM IYER,

Chief Secretary to Government.

CENTRAL RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE.

Dated 12th February 1918.

Statement showing the number of Recruits received at the Central Concentration Camp Bangalore, during the week ending Saturday the 9th February 1918:—

Name of district	No.	Caste	No.
Bangalore	24	Christians	2
Mysore	4	Mahomedans	6
Hassan	...	Brahmins	2
Kadur	1	Rajputs	...
Shimoga	2	Mahrattas	3
Chitaldrug	...	Pariahs	2
Tumkur	2	Vokkaligars	10
Kolar	2	Lingayets	2
Other agencies	1	Other Hindus	9
Total	36	Total	36

T. E. JEYARAMA IYER,
Secretary.